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Subject: Re: Craft-Turney WSC, South Cherokee County, Texas
Date: Friday, October 5, 2018 8:13:40 AM

Be accurate and quick- thx

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On Oct 5, 2018, at 8:11 AM, Crossland, Ronnie <Crossland.Ronnie@epa.gov> wrote:

David

Charles and I have talked and water is taking the lead right now unless we have to respond. They will continue to coordinate with TCEQ and provide updates. WQ, SF & MD are working together to support TCEQ. With the exception of analytical support, TCEQ is addressing the incident. They are flushing the system and are providing bottled water.

Thanks
Ronnie

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On Oct 5, 2018, at 7:17 AM, Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov> wrote:

All - I need an update this morning as soon as possible. Who is the lead? Also, I will need updates over the weekend. Here is my rough draft.
David

Craft-Turney WSC, South Cherokee County, Texas
update

We continue to assist with TCEQ on a public water supply contamination issue.

TCEQ learned that the product is a type of commercial fungicide . MSDS sheets have been provided to the TCEQ Toxicology which are under review. The TCEQ is coordinating with the WSC on a sampling plan. Sampling will begin on October 4, 2018.

Background

Craft-Turney WSC, located in South Cherokee County, South of Jacksonville, issued a Do Not Use order 10/3/18, on 16 connections related to a back siphonage event at Arrington Sawmill.

On 9/29/18 the water system repaired a water line break.

On 10/01/18 the water system received complaints of water quality including burning or irritated skin after exposure to the water. The water system believes a back siphonage may have occurred during the line break repair. Samples were collected and the system is waiting on the lab results.

TCEQ determined a tank containing a wood preservative, for treating wood pallets did not have a backflow prevention device.

Early reports that the fungicide was part of the PFAS family of chemicals is incorrect.

Texas has issued do not drink water order and a sampling plan to test the drinking water system.

TCEQ has requested EPA Assistance with developing a method for MBT (methylene bis-thiocyanate), so they can make a declaration about the absence/presence of it in the Drinking Water before lifting the do not use order.

Approximately 1,500 hundred now under bottled water restrictions.

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<https://www.easttexasmatters.com/news/local-news/craft-turney-water-supply-issues-do-not-use-order-to-customers/1496197618>

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